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## ECHANGES NEWS

### International get-together - Echanges - 1982

As we have already announced, the meeting will be held on Friday 21st, Saturday 22nd and Sunday 23rd May 1982 at Osnabrück in West-Germany, a provincial town which can be reached by car and train. We proposed 3 subjects to be discussed (see Echanges nrs. 28 and 29) out of which one was finally chosen by a non-silent minority-majority:

The possibilities of manoeuvre for capital in the present period of restructuring, taking the car industry as an example.

allow everybody to contribute to the discussions we thought it was better to divide the subject in various points, which are not the only ones of course. Everybody can add what he thinks is (also) interesting.

1. Development of the output
2. Technological developments
3. Product developments
4. Organisation of work
5. Wage system/job evaluation and their evolution
6. Changes in union participation
7. Use of computers to allow better personnel management
8. Cut in wages and welfare
9. Changes in factory organisation
10. Changes in the international division of work
11. International cooperation between firms
12. Links between the car industry and other branches of industry
13. Investment policies
14. Output diversification
15. Changes in productivity

The main idea is to look for different factors on the relationship between work and capital. In our opinion the discussion would

have to try to find the meaning of these different factors, their relationship with and their consequences for the class struggles.

To get all information texts for the preparation of the meeting: please send them only and directly to: Theo Sander,

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and another please: keep them short!

For all practical details on the meeting it's also the best person to write to.

### BOOKS, MAGAZINES AND OTHER READING STUFF

On Poland:

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- The Spartacus *group* reprinted 4 old texts together:
  - "1945 - la commune de Varsovie" by Victor Serge and Zygmunt Zaremba
  - "1970-71 - Capitalisme et lutte de classe en Pologne" published formerly by ICO
  - "Le 25 juin 1976 en Pologne" by H.Simon
  - "1980-81 - Solidarité enchainée" by C.Reeve (all texts in French)
- "Pologne, 500 jours de libertés qui ébranlèrent le communisme" is an anthology of documents and photos on the recent events. A special issue of Libération, c/o L'Alternative, 1 Place Paul Painlevé, Paris, France). Price 40 F.F.
- "Pologne - Le dossier de Solidarité - Gdansk août 1980 - Varsovie décembre 1981", also published by the above mentioned L'Alternative.
- "Faire le point sur les échanges Est-Ouest - Journée d'étude Jussieu 20-2-82" published by B.Caroli, Labo de Physique des Solides, Université de Paris VII, Paris, France). This is a dossier with articles and discussions on general or special problems in the relations East-West or more directly on Poland.
- "The Polish August": documents of the beginnings of the revolt of the Polish workers published by Left Bank Books, 92 Pike, Seattle, WA 98101 USA.

"It's us they are shooting in Warsaw" and "Under the Polish volcano" two texts available from Echanges.

Documents of a group of workers from Rouen who on the 20th December '81 occupied for 24 hours a polish cargo ship. They did this in the middle of the general indignation of political parties and unions to try to demonstrate - in contrast to all kinds of propaganda - their solidarity with the Polish workers. Available from Mr. Chevalier, P.O. Box 85, 76300 Sotteville les Rouen, France.

On the U.S.A.:

In the french monthly Le Monde Diplomatique of Dec., 1981 was a long article on the 20 million Spanish speaking people in the USA. A book published with the same theme (in english) is "The Life Story of the Mexican immigrant", a collection of autobiographic documents on the Chicanos.

"The promise of the 80's" by John Zerzan has now been published as a special by Fifth Estate, 4403 Second Avenue, Detroit MI 48201, USA. Price \$ 0,50. (We hope to translate this text in French) Mutualist Books who have published a collection of articles written by John Zerzan, doesn't exist anymore.

"America in crisis" - a survey written by an american comrade of the Root and Branch magazine on the situation in the States under the presidency of the almost killed Ronald Reagan. The survey was written in March 1982 and copies are available from Echanges.

In the March, 1982 issue of Le Monde Diplomatique an article on "American workers victims of restructuration" and on "Liberal economies trapped by financial capitalism".

"Dollars und Träume" (Dollars and Dreams), a West-German periodical on the USA publ. by Junius Verlag, Von-Huttenstrasse 18, 2000 HAMBURG 50, Bundesrepublik Deutschland. Price p.issue + £ 2,- The periodical is in paperback-form and contains articles like Echanges has published on the USA, but also on politics and culture in the USA. From the same publisher but written by only one person is "Wird die Barbarei siegen", a report of a half-year stay in the States among workers, union, non-union, feminist, anti-nuclear and cultural groups.

Various countries and subjects:

in IRL three articles on Nicaragua, the Frankfurt airport and on the activity and repression of a "syndicat autogestionnaire" of postal workers in Lyon. (available from ACLR, 13 Rue Pierre Blanc, 69001 LYON, France)

Wildcat, Manchester Free Bulletin (available from Box 25, 164-166 Corn Exchange, Hanging Ditch, Manchester M43BN, England) contains articles on struggles around and

in Manchester. Price £ 1,-

The groups around Collegamenti per l'organizzazione diretta di classe (address: C.P. 10318, 20100 Milano) are making inquiries for a discussion on the economic and social situation in Italy (labor market, international division of labour, new technologies, the 'non-labor, proletarian sector', the official trade union movement, new social behaviour)

Publications of Collegamenti:

- Wobby (till now 4 issues) Address see:
- Il Fogliaccio - Papers on social struggles - Available from Stampato da Alba Centro Stampa, Via Nizza 38, Roma, Italia.
- Block out of Nov., 1981 (available from Paolo Bari, C.P. 39, 38100 Trento, Italia
- Materiali per l'intervento of Nov., 1981 contains an interview on the situation at Alfa Romeo.

Spartacus (address: 5, Rue de Ste. Croix de le Bretonnerie, 75004 Paris) has reprinted the french version of the Workers Councils written by Pannekoek, this time in 2 vols., of which one is now available.

Devant la guerre, a book written by Cornelius Castoriadis and publ. by Ed. Fayard) is criticised in "Relief" in an article called "Vue sur la guerre: Castoriadis est-il parano?". Copies available from Echanges. The article compares Castoriadis' assertions with the conclusions of an article "Entre guerre et paix" published in a new magazine "Interférences" (no.1, 1982) publ. by Alternatives, 36, Rue des Bourdonnais, 75001 Paris.

"L'insecurité sociale", no.0, Jan., 1982, price 3 FF, available from: Parallèles, 47 rue St Honoré, 75001, Paris. Explains why the PIC split and disappeared.

"Les revolutions minuscules" is a collection of articles in a special issue of the magazine "Autrement" (address: 73, Rue de Turbigo, 75003 Paris, France. Price 42 F.F.) on more or less 'new' social behaviour. In some respects it is a concrete elaboration of these put forward in the Echanges-brochure "The New Movement." Some 30 authors have made contributions, mostly in a highly philosophical or too pragmatic journalistic style (which demonstrates the shortcomings of both approaches).

Working Class Culture, edited by John Clarke, Chas Critcher and Richard Johnson, a publication of Hutchinson of London in association with the Centre for Contemporary Cultural Studies, Univ. of Birmingham.

Contents:

Part 1 - Traditions and approaches

1. Sociology, cultural studies and the post-war working class
2. Culture and the historians

Part 2 - Studies

3. 'Really useful knowledge': radical education and working-class culture, 1790-1848
4. Imperialism, nationalism and organized youth

5. Daughters and mothers - maids and mistresses: domestic service between the wars  
6. Recreation in Rochdale, 1900-40 7. Football since the war 8. Shop-floor culture, masculinity and the wage form

Part 3 - Theories

9. Three problematics: elements of a theory of working class culture 10. Capital and culture: the post-war working class revisited (+ notes, references & index)

300 pages, price + £ 4,-



- Origins and meaning of world war I, study of John Zerzan published in Telos, Fall 1981 "The genesis of the war is examined here in the light of the social question and its dynamics; the thesis entertained is that a rapidly developing challenge to domination was destroyed by the arrival of war, the most significant stroke of counter-revolution in world history. If the real movement was somehow cancelled by August 1914, it is clear that the usual reference (in this case Debord's) to "the profound social upheaval which arose with the first world war" is profoundly in error."

Copies available from Echanges.

We would like to ask our readers to give us the titles of essays, books and even films (if they exist) which support this thesis, especially from European historians. Zerzan mentions the following books in this context:

- Elie Halévy, The World Crisis of 1914-1918 (Oxford, 1930)
- V.R. Berghahn, Germany and the approach of War in 1914 (New York, 1974)
- S.D. Sazanov, Reminiscences, Fateful Years 1906-1916 (London, 1925)
- Pierre van Paasen, Days of our Years (New York, 1946)
- L.T. Hobhouse, The World in Conflict (London, 1915)
- Norman Stone, one of the authors in The coming of the first world war, ed. by Laquer and Mosse (New York, 1970)
- Edmund Taylor, The Fall of the Dynasties (Garden City, N.Y. 1963)
- Arno Mayer, author of "Domestic Causes of the first world war" in the book Elements of Political Change, ed. by Brody and Wright (New York, 1967)
- F.L. Carsten, The Rise of Fascism (Berkeley, 1971)
- John M. Cammett, Antonio Gramsci and the origins of Italian Communism (Stanford, 1967)
- Oron Hale, The Great Illusion 1900-1914 (New York, 1971)
- Hans von Bulow, Memoirs of Prince von Bulow, Vol.3 (London, 1932)
- Arthur Rosenberg, Imperial Germany (New York, 1970)
- James Cameron, 1914 (New York, 1959)
- Reginald Pound, The Lost Generation (New York, 1964)

In the next issues we hope to write on:


- Belgium
- Brasil
- India
- South-Africa
- Poland
- Great Britain

So if you already had in mind to make up for all those times you planned to write something but didn't, here's your chance!



A group of workers from Nantes (c/o M.Besson, B.P. 3, 44230 Saint Sébastien sur Loire, France) would like to get in touch with all those who, like them, "regard self-organisation of workers in struggle as essential" and who "want to encourage everything that will help this self-organization of workers' struggles to end all forms of domination and exploitation" (from a text "which we regard just a platform, because we know we shall develop along with our ideas and actions"). The group has published:

- a pamphlet (in french) of 50 pages on the causes and consequences of capitalist automation
- its opinion (in french) about a meeting with various comrades and groups in Mayenne (see Echanges bulletin no. 28 on the T.U.L.) about the problem of the unions
- an article on the struggle against the expansion of the Frankfurt airport (the original text is in english "No soft landing in Frankfurt" and is available from Echanges.

  
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